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SUBJECT: GOJ-SPONSORED BONES COLLECTION MISSION TO SAIPAN AND
TINIAN

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED REQUEST FROM FONOFF FOR APPROVAL OF
THIS YEAR'S BONES COLLECTION MISSION TO SAIPAN AND TINIAN.
PARTY OF 23 INCLUDES 3 GOJ OFFICIALS FROM JAPANESE MINISTRY OF
HEALTH AND WELFARE.

2. GOJ REQUESTS APPROVAL OF MISSION TO SAIPAN FROM
APRIL 10-28, AND TO TINIAN CONCURRENTLY FROM APRIL 18-25.

3. TEXT OF JAPANESE REQUEST FOLLOWS:

QUOTE: WITH REFERENCE TO THE CONVERSATION BETWEEN THE
OFFICIALS CONCERNED OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
AND OF THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON
FEBRUARY 21, 1978, CONCERNING THE BONES COLLECTION
ACTIVITIES BY THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN IN TH NORTHERN
MARIANA ISLANDS, THE MINISTRY WISHES TO INFORM THE EMBASSY
THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN PLANS TO DISPATCH ITS BONES
COLLECTION MISSION TO THE NORTHERN MARIANA
ISLANDS FROM APRIL 10 TO APRIL 28, 1978 FOR THE
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PURPOSE OF COLLECTING BONES OF THE JAPANESE WAR-
DEAD. THE MISSION IS PLANNING TO CARRY OUT ITS
ACTIVITIES IN SAIPAN THROUGHOUT ITS STAY IN THE
ISLANDS, AND IN TINIAN FROM APRIL 18 TO APRIL 25.

THE MISSION, WHICH CONSISTS OF THREE
GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND TWENTY PERSONS FROM SUCH

PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS AS JAPAN WAR-BEREAVED FAMILY ASSOCIATION, JAPAN YOUTH SOCIETY FOR BONES COLLECTION, NANKO-KAI AND MARIANAS COMRADE-AT-ARMS ASSOCIATION -- NAMES OF BE FURNISHED TO THE EMBASSY LATER - WILL COLLECT, EXCAVATE, AND CREMATE BONES AT SITES DESIGNATED BY THE COMPETENT OFFICIALS OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA GOVERNMENT, AND IT WILL HOLD A BRIEF MEMORIAL SERVICE IN SAIPAN AT THE END OF ITS BONES COLLECTION ACTIVITIES. CREMATED ASHES AND BELONGINGS OF THE WAR-DEAD WHOSE OWNERS CAN BE IDENTIFIED WILL BE REPATRIATED TO JAPAN BY THE MISSION.

AN ADVANCE PARTY, CONSISTING OF A FEW MEMBERS OF THE MISSION INCLUDING A GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL, WILL BE SENT TO SAIPAN ON APRIL 1, 1978 IN ORDER TO MAKE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS WITH NORTHERN MARIANA GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES AND LOCAL LEADERS CONCERNED.

THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS SHOULD BE GRATEFUL IF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WOULD GRANT PERMISSION TO THIS VISIT AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE.

APPLICATIONS FOR ENTRY PERMIT FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE MISSION, ACCOMPANIED BY A "SURETY AND UNCLASSIFIED

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GUARANTEE" FROM OUR CONSUL GENERAL IN GUAM IN LIEU OF INDIVIDUAL POLICE CERTIFICATES WILL BE SUBMITTED DIRECTLY TO THE NORTHERN MARIANA GOVERNMENT WHEN PERMISSION CONCERNING THE VISIT OF THE MISSION IS GRANTED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. UNQUOTE END TEXT.
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